

and other important Documents as when Berne joined the Confederation of Switzerland in 1353. On display were six different volumes of recorded minutes of Government Authorities in Senate meetings. These minutes were written every hundred years of the last session of the Senate held the last week of the years 1470- 1570- 1670- 1770- 1870- 1970. On display were the scripts of Lower Simmental, Diemtigen and Spiez purchased by Berne. Family histories and christening documents of original entry. The Parochial records are scattered throughout the country in Parishes and Churches. Displayed was the passport issued June 27, 1873 to John Kunz, Jr., age 29 years. Description: red hair, red eyebrows, grey eyes, place - Zwischenfluh, Diemtigen, Height - 5'8". Accompanying him - 1 Frau - Kinder - 1 Maid - 1 Grandmother. Destination - America.

Copies of books written about the relatives who emigrated to Russia were displayed. The title, "Kept Native Traditions", by Author Tatsachenbercht Von Waldermar Kunz. It was amazing to see how well preserved these ancient documents were. There were records of Reverend Hovalt and his orders to deport Margaret's Grandfather, Segrist, and the document signed by John Kunz III asking the Governor to recind the order of deportation. We were proud to think that our Great Grandfather defended this good man in the face of persecution. Mr. Smoki took us to the office and pulled the Kunz Crest from a file. Uncle George Kunz gave each of us a zerox copy. It has three, six pointed stars, silver on a lady lips red background with three green leaves at the bottom of the shield shaped-crest. It is simple and beautiful. We walked through the Archives storage rooms by invitation from Mr. Smoki. We expressed our thanks to him for his efforts to make this a most memorable time.

We then walked through a park and stood in front of the statue of Albrecht Von Hallen, a great Statesman and Scholar. This man is known as the last of the great universal scholars. He is on our genealogy records.